## State of South Caroling Governor's Proclamation

- **WHEREAS,** the YWCA has a long and proud history of empowering women and families, fostering racial justice, and preventing violence; and
- WHEREAS, through 324 local member associations with programs in thousands of communities across the nation, the YWCA provides a wide range of programs and services, including battered women's shelters, counseling, childcare, support for victims of rape and sexual assault, job training, sports and fitness, and legal advocacy; and
- **WHEREAS,** the 2004 observance of YWCA Week Without Violence focuses attention on practical and sustainable alternatives to violence, with programs at YWCA locations, schools, community organizations, neighborhoods, and workplaces.
- NOW, THEREFORE, I, Mark Sanford, Governor of the Great State of South Carolina, do hereby proclaim October 16 22, 2004, as

## YWCA WEEK WITHOUT VIOLENCE

throughout the state and encourage all South Carolinians to work together to establish effective alternatives for violence.



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MARK SANFORD
GOVERNOR
STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA